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4 March 1987

Mr. Edward H. Mertz President Hundred Club of Flint Buick Motor Division General Motors Corporation Flint, MI 48550

Dear Mr. Mertz:

Thank you for inviting Acting Director of Central Intelligence Robert M. Gates to speak at the Hundred Club of Flint dinner meeting on June 9th in Flint, Michigan.

Mr. Gates has asked me to extend his regrets. He is unable to make any commitments at this time.

We wish your club a successful year.

Sincerely,

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George V. Lauder Director, Public Affairs

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Office of the General Manager January 28, 1987

Dr. Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Dr. Gates:

As you are aware, there are more than sixty Hundred Clubs throughout the United States dedicated to actively supporting the fire and police community. In Washington the club is known as Heroes, Inc.

The Flint club was founded in 1975 and has steadily grown to a strong, supportive group of 250 members who truly believe in a community taking care of its own. Two years ago Francis Mullen, Drug Enforcement Administrator, spoke to our group and his remarks reaffirmed our commitment.

The purpose of our letter is to invite you to be the guest speaker at the summer meeting tentatively scheduled for June 9 (or any date in June), at the Hyatt Regency hotel in Flint. A reception is planned for 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

The club consists of many top General Motors executives, suppliers, local businessmen, college officials, Mott Foundation executives, and government employes. We anticipate an audience of at least 250 people.

We could coordinate security with the local office of the F.B.I. and the Flint Police Department and would arrange for your accommodations at the Hyatt Regency if you wish.

I hope your plans will permit your acceptance as we would be pleased to personally meet you and hear first hand the major issues facing your agency.

Sincerely

Edward H. Mertz

President

Hundred Club of Flint

cc: Mrs. Mary Evelyn Dean Public Affairs. CIA

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT:

Invitation to Speak at the Hundred Club of Flint

1. Action Requested: Accept or decline the invitation to speak at the Hundred Club of Flint on Tuesday, 9 June, at the Hyatt Regency in Flint, Michigan.

2. Background: Edward Mertz, General Manager of Buick Motor
Division and President of the Hundred Club of Flint, has invited you to
be their keynote speaker at a dinner meeting with a reception at 6:00 p.m.
and dinner at 7:00 p.m. The proposed format is 20 minutes of remarks
followed by 15 minutes of Questions and Answers on a topic of your
choice. You could expect an audience of approximately 250 members who
are leading General Motors executives, suppliers, local businessmen,
college officials, Mott Foundation executives, and government employees.
Neither foreign nationals nor the media are expected to be present.
According to Helen Turi the Public Relations Director for the club and
retired employee of Buick Motor Division, John McMahon was scheduled to
speak last year but had to cancel due to a conflict. After checking with
and PAO records, we are unable to confirm that such a
speaking engagement was scheduled. However, Mr. McMahon may have
tentatively arranged it through friends in Detroit.

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There are approximately 65 Hundred Clubs located throughout the world. All are nonprofit organizations patterned after the first Hundred Club (some use other names, such as Bluecoats, Inc. or Heroes, Inc.), founded in 1952 by 100 Detroit, Michigan, men who contributed \$100 per year. The Hundred Clubs are service clubs dedicated to raising funds to aid families of firefighters and law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty. Now, the largest of these is the Hundred Club of Massachusetts. (See opposite for further information.) According to Edward Mertz, the Flint club was founded in 1975 and has steadily grown to a strong, supportive group of 250 members who believe in a community taking care of its own. Several years ago, Drug Enforcement Administrator Francis Mullen spoke to this group.

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